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HECTOR RUIZ,	:
Petitioner,	: 07 Civ. 9461(RMB)(THK)
-against-	:
TOTALD GENERA OF AMERICA	: ORDER
UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,	: :
Respondent.	: X

THEODORE H. KATZ, United States Magistrate Judge.

This action for a writ of habeas corpus, filed pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 2255, has been referred to me by the Honorable Richard M. Berman, United States District Judge. Upon the Court's preliminary consideration of the petition herein, it is hereby:

ORDERED, that the Clerk shall serve, by certified mail, a copy of this Order upon the petitioner.

ORDERED, that the Clerk shall serve, by certified mail, a copy of this Order and the petition herein upon the United States Attorney's Office for the Southern District of New York;

ORDERED, that respondent serve and file an answer to the petition by January 18, 2008; respondent shall address the merits of the petition and the satisfaction of any procedural prerequisites; and it is further

ORDERED, that any reply by petitioner to respondent's submissions shall be filed and served by February 8, 2008.

Theodore H. Katz

United States Magistrate Judge

Dated: November 19, 2007

New York, New York

Copy mailed this date to:

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